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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 20, 2004, a reply to which is due July 20, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks in order to place the application in condition for allowance or better form for appeal. As this response is being filed within two months of the mailing of the Office Action, a reply by the Examiner prior to the three-month shortened statutory response period is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.